IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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In re:	§	Chapter 11
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CORE SCIENTIFIC, INC., et al.,	§	Case No. 22-90341 (DRJ)
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Debtors. ¹	§	(Jointly Administered)
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APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP AS ATTORNEYS FOR DEBTORS EFFECTIVE AS OF PETITION DATE

IF YOU OBJECT TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED, YOU MUST RESPOND IN WRITING. UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COURT, YOU MUST FILE YOUR RESPONSE ELECTRONICALLY AT HTTPS://ECF.TXSB.USCOURTS.GOV/ WITHIN TWENTY-ONE DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS MOTION WAS FILED. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ELECTRONIC FILING PRIVILEGES, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION THAT IS ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY THE CLERK WITHIN TWENTY-ONE DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU WERE SERVED WITH THIS PLEADING. YOU MUST SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON THE PERSON WHO SENT YOU THE NOTICE; OTHERWISE, THE COURT MAY TREAT THE PLEADING AS UNOPPOSED AND GRANT THE RELIEF REQUESTED.

Core Scientific, Inc. and its debtor affiliates in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**"), respectfully represent as follows in support of this application (the "**Application**"):

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: Core Scientific Mining LLC (6971); Core Scientific, Inc. (3837); Core Scientific Acquired Mining LLC (N/A); Core Scientific Operating Company (5526); Radar Relay, Inc. (0496); Core Scientific Specialty Mining (Oklahoma) LLC (4327); American Property Acquisition, LLC (0825); Starboard Capital LLC (6677); RADAR LLC (5106); American Property Acquisitions I, LLC (9717); and American Property Acquisitions, VII, LLC (3198). The Debtors' corporate headquarters and service address is 210 Barton Springs Road, Suite 300, Austin, Texas 78704.

Background

- 1. On December 21, 2022 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors each commenced with this Court a voluntary case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors' chapter 11 cases are being jointly administered for procedural purposes only pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Rule 1015-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Bankruptcy Local Rules").
- 2. No trustee, examiner, or statutory committee of creditors has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases.
- 3. Additional information regarding the Debtors' business and capital structure and the circumstances leading to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases is set forth in the *Declaration of Michael Bros in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions* (Docket No. 5) (the "**First Day Declaration**").²

Jurisdiction

4. The Court has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the First Day Declaration.

Relief Requested

- 5. By this Application, pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016(b), and Bankruptcy Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1, the Debtors request entry of an Order (i) authorizing the retention and employment of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP ("Weil" or the "Firm") as attorneys for the Debtors effective as of the Petition Date and (ii) granting related relief.
- 6. The Debtors request that the Court approve the retention of Weil, under a general retainer, as their attorneys to perform the extensive legal services that will be required during these chapter 11 cases in accordance with Weil's normal hourly rates in effect when services are rendered and Weil's normal reimbursement policies. In support of this Application, the Debtors submit the declaration of Ray C. Schrock, a partner of Weil, which is annexed hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "Schrock Declaration"), and the declaration of Todd DuChene, President and Chief Legal Officer of Core Scientific, which is annexed hereto as **Exhibit B** (the "DuChene Retention Declaration").
- 7. A proposed form of order granting the relief requested herein is annexed hereto as **Exhibit C** (the "**Proposed Order**").

Relief Requested Should Be Granted

8. Section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that "the trustee, with the court's approval, may employ one or more attorneys . . . that do not hold or represent an interest adverse to the estate, and that are disinterested persons, to represent or assist the trustee in carrying out the trustee's duties under [the Bankruptcy Code]." 11 U.S.C. § 327(a).

Weil's Qualifications

- 9. Since 2018, Weil has represented the Debtors with respect to various matters, including certain transactional and litigation matters. Beginning in October 2022, Weil has represented the Debtors with respect to their ongoing litigation with Celsius Network LLC ("Celsius") in the Celsius chapter 11 cases. At around the same time, Weil began advising the Debtors in connection with their evaluation and execution of certain strategic initiatives to help preserve and maximize the Company's enterprise value. As a result of its prepetition engagement, Weil possesses an in-depth knowledge of the Debtors' capital structure and has gained additional insight into the current condition of the Debtors' industry, business, and operations. Specifically, Weil was extensively involved in (i) prepetition negotiations with the Debtors' key economic stakeholders (including the Debtors' restructuring efforts as discussed in greater detail in the First Day Declaration), (ii) analyzing strategic alternatives with respect to the Debtors' capital structure and restructuring, (iii) negotiating and executing a restructuring support agreement (the "RSA") with an ad hoc group of Convertible Noteholders (the "Ad Hoc Noteholder Group"), (iv) securing a \$75 million DIP Facility, and (v) the preparation and commencement of these chapter Accordingly, the Debtors believe Weil is uniquely situated with the necessary background to address the potential legal issues that may arise in the context of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases.
- 10. The Debtors have also selected Weil as their attorneys because of the Firm's extensive general experience and knowledge, including Weil's recognized expertise in the field of debtors' protections, creditors' rights, and the administration of cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. For example, Weil currently represents or has represented, among others, the following debtors and their affiliates: Phoenix Services Topco, LLC; Talen Energy Supply, LLC;

Kabbage, Inc.; SAS AB; Ruby Pipeline; All Year Holdings Ltd.; Evergreen Gardens Mezz LLC; CBL & Associates Properties, Inc., Fieldwood Energy LLC; Brooks Brothers Group, Inc.; Briggs & Stratton Corporation; VIVUS, Inc.; CEC Entertainment, Inc.; ORG GC Midco, LLC; NPC International, Inc.; Chisholm Oil and Gas Operating, LLC; Exide Technologies, LLC; Gavilan Resources, LLC; 24 Hour Fitness Worldwide; SpeedCast International Limited; Chinos Holdings, Inc.; Kingfisher Midstream LLC; EP Energy Corporation; Halcon Resources Corporation; Fusion Connect, Inc.; Insys Therapeutics, Inc.; CTI Foods, LLC; Ditech Holding Corporation; PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Checkout Holding Corp.; Waypoint Leasing Holdings Ltd.; LBI Media, Inc.; Sears Holdings Corporation; Tops Holding Company LLC; Southeastern Grocers, LLC; Claire's Inc.; Walter Inv. Mgmt. Corp.; Westinghouse Electric Company LLC; TK Holdings Inc.; Angelica Corp.; Azure Midstream Partners, LP; Memorial Production Partners LP; CHC Group Ltd.; Breitburn Energy Partners LP; American Gilsonite Company; and Aéropostale, Inc.

11. The Debtors have been informed that Alfredo R. Pérez, a partner of Weil who will be employed in these chapter 11 cases, is a member in good standing of, among others, the Bar of the State of Texas and the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. Other partners of, counsel to, and associates of Weil who will be employed in these cases are members in good standing of other bars and courts. Accordingly, Weil is both well qualified and uniquely able to represent the Debtors in their chapter 11 cases in an efficient and effective manner.

Scope of Services

12. The employment of Weil under a general retainer, and in accordance with its normal hourly rates and disbursement policies in effect from time to time, is appropriate and necessary to enable the Debtors to execute faithfully their duties as debtors and debtors in

possession and to prosecute their chapter 11 cases. Subject to further order of this Court, it is proposed that Weil be employed to render the following professional services:

- a. take all necessary action to protect and preserve the Debtors' estates, including the prosecution of actions on the Debtors' behalf, the defense of any actions commenced against the Debtors, the negotiation of disputes in which the Debtors are involved and the preparation of objections to claims filed against the Debtors' estates;
- b. prepare on behalf of the Debtors, as debtors in possession, all necessary motions, applications, answers, orders, reports and other papers in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates;
- c. take all necessary actions in connection with any chapter 11 plan and related disclosure statement and all related documents, and such further actions as may be required in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates;
- d. if necessary, take all appropriate actions in connection with the sale of any or all of the Debtors' assets pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise;
- e. perform all other necessary legal services in connection with the prosecution of these chapter 11 cases; *provided*, *however*, that to the extent Weil determines that such services fall outside of the scope of services historically or generally performed by Weil as lead debtors' counsel in a bankruptcy case, Weil will file a supplemental declaration.
- 13. It is necessary for the Debtors to employ attorneys to render the foregoing professional services. Weil has stated its desire and willingness to act in these cases and render the necessary professional services as attorneys for the Debtors.
- 14. In addition to this Application, the Debtors have filed, or expect to file shortly, applications to employ: (i) Stretto, Inc., as claims and noticing agent and solicitation agent; (ii) PJT Partners LP, as investment banker; (iii) AlixPartners, LLP, as financial advisor; and (iv) Marcum LLP, as auditor. The Debtors may also file applications to employ additional professionals, in connection with the administration of these chapter 11 cases and the Debtors' ordinary course operations. Rather than resulting in any extra expense to the Debtors' estates, it

is anticipated that the efficient coordination of efforts of the Debtors' attorneys and other professionals will greatly add to the progress and effective administration of these chapter 11 cases.

15. As described in the Schrock Declaration, Weil will work with the Debtors' other professionals to ensure a clear delineation of each firm's respective roles in connection with representation of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases to prevent duplication of services and ensure the case is administered in the most efficient fashion possible. It is anticipated that the efficient coordination of efforts of the Debtors' attorneys and other professionals will greatly add to the progress and effective administration of these chapter 11 cases.

Weil's Disinterestedness

- 16. To the best of the Debtors' knowledge, the partners of, counsel to, and associates of Weil do not have any connection with or any interest adverse to the Debtors, their creditors, or any other party-in-interest, or their respective attorneys and accountants, except as may be set forth in the Schrock Declaration.
- 17. Based upon the Schrock Declaration, the Debtors believe that Weil is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors have been informed that Weil will conduct an ongoing review of its files to ensure that no disqualifying circumstances arise. If any new relevant facts or relationships are discovered, Weil will supplement its disclosure to the Court.

Professional Compensation

18. As set forth in the Schrock Declaration, for the 90 days prior to the Petition Date, Weil received payments and advances in the aggregate amount of approximately \$8,100,000 for professional services performed and to be performed, including the commencement and

prosecution of these chapter 11 cases. Weil has a remaining credit balance in favor of the Debtors for professional services performed and to be performed, and expenses incurred and to be incurred, in connection with these chapter 11 cases in the amount of approximately \$273,614.36 (the "Fee Advance"). Weil intends to apply the Fee Advance to any outstanding amounts relating to the period prior to the Petition Date that were not processed through Weil's billing system as of the Petition Date. Weil intends to retain the balance on account of services rendered and expenses incurred subsequent to the Petition Date.

- 19. The Debtors understand and have agreed that Weil hereafter will apply to the Court for allowances of compensation and reimbursement of expenses in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, the U.S. Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases, effective November 1, 2013 (the "Fee Guidelines"), and any further orders of the Court (the "Orders") for all professional services performed and expenses incurred after the Petition Date.
- 20. Subject to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines, and the Orders, the Debtors propose to compensate Weil for services rendered at its customary hourly rates that are in effect from time to time, as set forth in the Schrock Declaration, and to reimburse Weil according to its customary reimbursement policies. The Debtors respectfully submit that Weil's rates and policies stated in the Schrock Declaration are reasonable.

Notice

21. Notice of this Application will be provided to any party entitled to notice

pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 and any other party entitled to notice pursuant to Bankruptcy

Local Rule 9013-1(d).

WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request entry of the Proposed Order

granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as the Court may deem just

and appropriate.

Dated: January 15, 2023

Austin, Texas

CORE SCIENTIFIC, INC.

(and each of its affiliated debtors as Debtors

and Debtors in Possession)

/s/ Todd DuChene

Name: Todd DuChene

Title: President and Chief Legal Officer

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on January 15, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.

/s/ Alfredo R. Pérez
Alfredo R. Pérez

Exhibit A

Schrock Declaration

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DECLARATION OF RAY C. SCHROCK IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP AS ATTORNEYS FOR DEBTORS EFFECTIVE AS OF PETITION DATE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Ray C. Schrock, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am a partner of the firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP ("Weil" or the "Firm"), an international law firm with principal offices at 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10153; regional offices in Houston and Dallas, Texas; Washington, D.C.; Miami, Florida; Boston, Massachusetts; Princeton, New Jersey; Redwood Shores, California; and foreign offices in London, United Kingdom; Frankfurt and Munich, Germany; Paris, France; Hong Kong; and Beijing and Shanghai, China.
- 2. I submit this declaration (this "**Declaration**") in connection with the Application submitted on the date hereof (the "**Application**")² of Core Scientific, Inc. and its

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debtor affiliates in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**"), for entry of an order authorizing the Debtors to employ and retain Weil as their attorneys in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases, effective as of the Petition Date, at Weil's normal hourly rates in effect from time to time and in accordance with Weil's normal reimbursement policies, in compliance with sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"), and to provide the disclosure required under Rules 2014(a) and 2016(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**") and Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "**Bankruptcy Local Rules**"). Unless otherwise stated in this Declaration, I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein. To the extent any information disclosed herein requires amendment or modification upon Weil's completion of further review, or as additional information regarding parties in interest becomes available, a supplemental declaration will be submitted to the Court reflecting such amended, supplemented, or otherwise modified information.

3. Neither I, Weil, nor any partner of, counsel to, or associate of the Firm represents any entity other than the Debtors in connection with these chapter 11 cases. In addition, except as set forth herein, to the best of my knowledge, after due inquiry, neither I, Weil, nor any partner of, counsel to, or associate of the Firm represents any party-in-interest in these chapter 11 cases in matters related to these chapter 11 cases.

Weil's Disclosure Procedures

4. Weil, which employs approximately 1,100 attorneys, has a large and diversified legal practice that encompasses the representation of many financial institutions and commercial corporations. Weil has, in the past, represented, currently represents, and may, in the

future, represent, entities that are claimants or interest holders of the Debtors in matters unrelated to these chapter 11 cases. Some of those entities are, or may consider themselves to be, creditors or parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases or otherwise have interests in these cases.

- 5. In preparing this Declaration, I used a set of procedures developed by Weil to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Bankruptcy Local Rules regarding the retention of professionals by a debtor under the Bankruptcy Code (the "Firm Disclosure Procedures"). Pursuant to the Firm Disclosure Procedures, I performed, or caused to be performed, the following actions to identify the parties relevant to this Declaration and to ascertain Weil's connection to such parties:
 - a. A comprehensive list of the types of entities that may have contacts with the Debtors was developed through discussions with the Weil attorneys who have provided services to the Debtors and in consultation with the advisors to and senior management of the Debtors (the "Retention Checklist"). A copy of the Retention Checklist is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
 - b. Weil obtained information responsive to the Retention Checklist through several inquiries of the Debtors' senior management and advisors and review of documents provided by the Debtors to Weil. Weil then used that information, together with other information identified by Weil, to compile a list of the names of entities that may be parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases (the "**Potential Parties in Interest**").
 - Weil maintains a master client database as part of its conflict clearance and c. billing records. The master client database includes the names of the entities for which any attorney time charges have been billed since the database was first created (the "Client Database"). The Client Database includes the name of all current and former clients, the name of the parties who are or were related or adverse to such current and former clients, and the names of the Weil personnel who are or were responsible for current or former matters for such clients. Weil's policy is that no new matter may be accepted or opened within the Firm without completing and submitting to those charged with maintaining the conflict clearance system the information necessary to check each such matter for conflicts, including the identity of the prospective client, the name of the matter, adverse parties, and, in some cases, parties related to the client or to an adverse party. Accordingly, the database is updated for every new matter undertaken by Weil. The accuracy of the system is a function of the completeness and accuracy of the information submitted by the attorney opening a new matter.

- d. Weil compared the names of each of the Potential Parties in Interest to client matters in the Client Database for which professional time was recorded during the two years prior to the comparison.³ Any matches to names in the Client Database generated by the comparison were compiled, together with the names of the respective Weil personnel responsible for the identified client matters (the "Client Match List").
- e. A Weil attorney then reviewed the Client Match List and deleted obvious name coincidences and individuals or entities that were adverse to Weil's clients in both this matter and the matter referenced on the Client Match List.
- f. Using information in the Client Database concerning entities on the Client Match List and making general and, if applicable, specific inquiries of Weil personnel, Weil verified that it does not represent and has not represented any entity on the Client Match List in connection with these chapter 11 cases.
- g. In addition, a general inquiry was sent by electronic mail to all Weil personnel (attorneys and staff) to determine whether any such individuals or any members of their households (i) own any debt or equity securities of the Debtors; (ii) hold a claim against or interest adverse to the Debtors; (iii) are or were officers, directors, or employees of the Debtors or any of the affiliates or subsidiaries; (iv) are related to or have any connections to Bankruptcy Judges for the Southern District of Texas; or (v) are related to or have any connections to anyone working for the U.S. Trustee.

Weil's Connections with Debtors

6. Weil compiled responses to the foregoing inquiries for the purpose of preparing this Declaration. Responses to the inquiry described in paragraph 5(g) above reflect that, as of the Petition Date, Weil is not aware that any Weil personnel or member of the household of any Weil personnel holds any claims against, stock of, or other interests in the Debtors and that no such individuals held significant employment with the Debtors.

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³ For purposes of the Firm Disclosure Procedures, Weil considers an entity a "former client" if professional time was recorded within the past two years, but all matters for such client have since been closed. Because the Firm Disclosure Procedures only reflect client activity during the past two years, matches to client matters outside that timeframe are not reflected in this Declaration.

- 7. Prior to the Petition Date, certain Weil attorneys clerked or otherwise worked with Bankruptcy Judges in the Southern District of Texas. Effective August 14, 2019, United States Bankruptcy Judge Christopher M. Lopez was appointed to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas. Prior to such appointment, Judge Lopez was employed by and counsel to Weil. Except for the foregoing, no Weil lawyers or support staff or their family members is related to or has any other connections to Bankruptcy Judges in the Southern District of Texas.
- 8. Since 2018, Weil has represented the Debtors with respect to various matters, including certain transactional and litigation matters. Beginning in October 2022, Weil has represented the Debtors with respect to the ongoing litigation with Celsius in the Celsius chapter 11 cases. At around the same time, Weil began advising the Debtors in connection with their evaluation and execution of certain strategic initiatives to help preserve and maximize the Company's enterprise value. Specifically, Weil was extensively involved in (i) prepetition negotiations with the Debtors' key economic stakeholders (including the Debtors' restructuring efforts as discussed in greater detail in the First Day Declaration), (ii) analyzing strategic alternatives with respect to the Debtors' capital structure and restructuring, (iii) negotiating and executing the RSA with the Ad Hoc Noteholder Group, and (iv) securing a \$75 million DIP Facility. Most recently, Weil has provided the necessary services to enable the Debtors to commence the above captioned chapter 11 cases. Weil was primarily responsible for the preparation of the chapter 11 petitions, initial motions, and applications relating to these chapter 11 cases and their commencement.

Weil's Connections with Parties in Interest in Matters Unrelated to These Chapter 11 Cases

- 9. Either I, or an attorney working under my supervision, reviewed the connections between Weil and the clients identified on the Client Match List, and the connections between those entities and the Debtors. After such review, either I, or an attorney working under my supervision, determined, in each case, that Weil does not hold or represent an interest that is adverse to the Debtors' estates and that Weil is a "disinterested person" as such term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, for the reasons discussed below.
- 10. Weil previously represented, currently represents, and may in the future represent the entities (or their affiliates) described below in matters unrelated to the Debtors and their chapter 11 cases. An entity is described as a "Current Client" if Weil has any open matters for such entity or a known affiliate of such entity and attorney time charges have been recorded on any such matters within the past two years. An entity is described as a "Former Client" if Weil represented such entity or a known affiliate of such entity within the past two years based on recorded attorney time charges on a matter, but all matters for such entity or any known affiliate of such entity have been formally closed. Disclosures relating to all other categories on the Retention Checklist, attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**, are the product of implementing the Firm Disclosure Procedures (the "**Disclosure Schedule**"). Except as otherwise disclosed herein, Weil has not represented, does not represent, and will not represent any entities listed on the Disclosure Schedule in matters directly related to the Debtors or these chapter 11 cases.
- 11. To the best of my knowledge and information, the annual fees for each of the last two years paid to Weil by any party listed on the Disclosure Schedule or its affiliates, on an aggregate basis, did not exceed 1% of the Firm's annual gross revenue, except for those fees

paid by the following entities: (i) TPG Global LLC and certain affiliates, (ii) Cumulus Coin LLC and certain affiliates, and (iii) INE, LLC and certain affiliates. Weil has represented and continues to represent TPG Global LLC and INE, LLC and certain of their respective affiliates in a variety of matters, all of which are unrelated to these chapter 11 cases.

- 12. In addition, Weil previously represented Michael Levitt, the Debtors' chief executive officer and director, in connection with certain board service matters. Weil last provided services to Mr. Levitt in 2019. In 2020, Weil represented GreensLedge Capital Markets LLC ("GreensLedge") in connection with a potential offering of preferred stock by the Debtors. The transaction was not consummated, and since August 2020, Weil has not provided any services to GreensLedge related to the Debtors.
- 13. In addition to the foregoing, through diligent inquiry, I have ascertained no connection, as such term is used in section 101(14)(C) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a), between Weil and (i) the United States Trustee for Region 7 (the "U.S. Trustee") or any person employed by the U.S. Trustee, (ii) any attorneys, accountants, or financial consultants in these chapter 11 cases, or (iii) any investment bankers who represent or may represent the Debtors, claimants, or other parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases, except as set forth herein and on the Disclosure Schedule. As part of its practice, Weil appears in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different attorneys, accountants, financial consultants, and investment bankers, some of whom now, or may in the future, represent claimants and other parties in interest in these cases. Weil has not represented, and will not represent, any such parties in relation to the Debtors or their chapter 11 cases. Weil does not have any relationship with any such attorneys, accountants, financial consultants, or investment bankers that would be adverse to the Debtors or their estates.

- 14. Additionally, Weil has represented, and may currently represent, entities that hold, or may in the future hold, certain of the Debtors' debt in beneficial accounts on behalf of unidentified parties. Because distressed debt is actively traded in commercial markets, Weil may be unaware of the actual holder of such debt at any given moment. Weil also represents numerous entities in unrelated matters that may buy and/or sell distressed debt, claims, or equity interests of chapter 11 debtors. Moreover, from time to time, Weil is engaged by various entities that buy and/or sell distressed debt to analyze the capital structure of a distressed company based on a review of publicly available information. The Firm does not undertake such reviews after it has been engaged to represent any such company, including the Debtors, and does not view any public debt review as an adverse representation to the Debtors. Similarly, as a large firm, Weil may represent creditors/investors of or parties interested in investing in one or more parties in interest in these cases. Weil does not believe these relationships represent interests adverse to the estates.
- 15. Certain of the parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases are or were from time to time, members of ad hoc or official creditors' committees represented by Weil in matters unrelated to these chapter 11 cases. In such instances, Weil only represented the committee or group, and did not represent the creditors in their individual capacities. Weil does not and will not represent any of these parties in connection with these chapter 11 cases.
- 16. Despite the efforts described herein to identify and disclose Weil's connections with the parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases, and because the Debtors have numerous relationships, Weil is unable to state with certainty that every client relationship or other connection has been disclosed. Therefore, Weil will continue to apply the Firm Disclosure

Procedures. If any new material, relevant facts, or relationships are discovered or arise, Weil will promptly file a supplemental disclosure with the Court.

Weil Is Disinterested

17. Based on the foregoing, insofar as I have been able to ascertain after diligent inquiry, I believe Weil does not hold or represent an interest adverse to the Debtors' estates in the matters upon which Weil is to be employed and that Weil is "disinterested" as such term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Weil's Retainer, Rates, and Billing Practices

- 18. Weil is not a creditor of the Debtors. During the 90-day period prior to the Petition Date, Weil received payments and advances in the aggregate amount of approximately \$8,100,000 for services performed and expenses incurred, and also to be performed and incurred, including in preparation for the commencement of these chapter 11 cases. As of the Petition Date, Weil held an advance payment retainer of approximately \$273,614.36, subject to any amounts Weil intends to apply against the retainer as set forth in this Application.
- 19. Weil intends to charge the Debtor for services rendered in these chapter 11 cases at Weil's normal hourly rates in effect at the time the services are rendered. Weil's current customary hourly rates, subject to change from time to time, are \$1,375.00 to \$2,095.00 for partners and counsel, \$750.00 to \$1,345.00 for associates, and \$295.00 to \$530.00 for paraprofessionals.
- 20. Weil also intends to seek reimbursement for expenses incurred in connection with its representation of the Debtors in accordance with Weil's normal reimbursement policies, subject to any modifications to such policies that Weil may be required to make to comply

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with orders of this Court, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, and the *U.S. Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases, effective November 1, 2013 (the "Fee Guidelines")*. Weil's disbursement policies pass through all out-of-pocket expenses at actual cost or an estimated actual cost when the actual cost is difficult to determine. For example, with respect to duplication charges, Weil will charge \$.10 per printed black and white page and \$.50 per color page because the actual cost is difficult to determine. Similarly, as it relates to computerized research, Weil believes that it does not make a profit on that service as a whole, although the cost of any particular search is difficult to ascertain. Other reimbursable expenses (whether the service is performed by Weil in-house or through a third-party vendor) include, but are not limited to, facsimiles, overtime, overtime meals, deliveries, court costs, cost of food at meetings, transcript fees, travel fees, and clerk fees.

- 21. No promises have been received by Weil, or any partner, counsel, or associate of Weil, as to payment or compensation in connection with these chapter 11 cases other than in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, and the Fee Guidelines. Furthermore, Weil has no agreement with any other entity to share compensation received by Weil or by such entity.
- 22. The Application requests approval of Weil's retention on rates, terms, and conditions consistent with what Weil charges non-chapter 11 debtors, namely, prompt payment of Weil's hourly rates, as adjusted from time to time, and reimbursement of out-of-pocket disbursements at cost or based on formulas that approximate the actual cost where the actual cost is not easily ascertainable. Subject to these terms and conditions, Weil intends to apply for allowance of compensation for professional services rendered in these chapter 11 cases and for

reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses relating thereto, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines, and any other applicable procedures and orders approved by the Court.

Coordination with Other Professionals for Debtors

23. Weil is aware that the Debtors have submitted, or intend to submit, separate applications to retain, among others, (i) Stretto, Inc., as claims and noticing agent and solicitation agent; (ii) PJT Partners LP, as investment banker; (iii) AlixPartners, LLP, as financial advisor; and (iv) Marcum LLP, as auditor. Weil, in conjunction with the Debtors' management team, intends to monitor carefully and coordinate the efforts of all professionals retained by the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and will delineate their respective duties so as to prevent duplication of services whenever possible. It is anticipated that the efficient coordination of efforts of the Debtors' attorneys and other professionals will greatly add to the progress and effective administration of these chapter 11 cases.

Attorney Statement Pursuant to Fee Guidelines

24. The following is provided in response to the request for additional information set forth in Appendix B, Paragraph D.1 of the Fee Guidelines.

Question: Did you agree to any variations from, or alternatives to, your

standard or customary billing arrangements for this engagement?

Response: No.

Question: Do any of the professionals included in this engagement vary their

rate based on the geographic location of the bankruptcy case?

Response: No.

Question: If you represented the client in the 12 months prepetition, disclose

your billing rates and material financial terms for the prepetition engagement, including any adjustments during the 12 months prepetition. If your billing rates and material financial terms have

changed postpetition, explain the difference and the reasons for the difference.

Response:

Weil represented the Debtors in the 12 months prior to the Petition Date. In 2022, Weil's hourly rates were \$1,250.00 to \$1,950.00 for partners and counsel, \$690.00 to \$1,200.00 for associates, and \$275.00 to \$495.00 for paraprofessionals. On January 1, 2023, Weil adjusted its standard billing rates for its professionals in the normal course. Paragraph 19 herein discloses the billing rates used by Weil from January 1, 2023, subject to annual adjustment.

Question:

Has your client approved your prospective budget and staffing plan, and, if so, for what budget period?

Response:

Weil is developing a prospective budget and staffing plan for these chapter 11 cases. Weil and the Debtors will review such budget following the close of the budget period to determine a budget for the following period.

25. The foregoing constitutes the statement of Weil pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016(b), and Bankruptcy Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: January 15, 2023 New York, New York

> /s/ Ray C. Schrock Ray C. Schrock

Exhibit 1

Retention Checklist

- Debtors
- Debtors' Trade Names and Aliases (up to 8 years) (a/k/a, f/k/a, d/b/a)
- Bank Accounts
- Bankruptcy Judges and Staff for the Southern District of Texas
- Bondholders/Noteholders/Indenture Trustees
- Clerk of the Court for the Southern District of Texas
- Contract Counterparties (includes patents and intellectual property)
- Current Officers and Directors
- Affiliation of Current Officers and Directors
- Benefit Providers (Workers Compensation/Pension Plans/Third Party Administrators)
- Debtors Professionals (law firms, accountants and other professionals)
- Former Officers and Directors
- Insurance/Insurance Broker/Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds
- Landlords and Parties to Leases
- Lenders
- List of the Top 30 Unsecured Creditors
- List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims (Excluding Insiders)
- List of 5 Largest Secured Claims
- Litigation Counterparties/Litigation Pending Lawsuits (includes threatened litigation)
- Non-Debtor Affiliates and Subsidiaries
- Non-Debtor Professionals
- Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors
- Other Parties in Interest (Notice of Appearance Parties, and any other person or group appointed)
- Ordinary Course Professionals
- Other Secured Parties (Letters of Credit/ Issuers of Letters of Credit)
- Partnerships (if debtors is a partnership, its general and limited partners)
- Regulatory and Government Authorities yellow not on excel but ran
- Secured Creditors
- Significant Competitors
- Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties
- Significant Shareholders (more than 5% of equity)
- Significant Vendors/Suppliers
- Taxing Authorities
- U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas
- UCC Search Results/UCC Lien Search Results
- Unions N/A
- United States Trustee and Staff for the Southern District of Texas
- Utility Providers/Utility Brokers

Potential Parties in Interest

Debtors:

Core Scientific Mining LLC

Core Scientific, Inc.

Core Scientific Acquired Mining LLC

Core Scientific Operating Company

Radar Relay, Inc.

Core Scientific Specialty Mining (Oklahoma)

LLC

American Property Acquisition, LLC

Starboard Capital LLC

RADAR LLC

American Property Acquisitions I, LLC

American Property Acquisitions VII, LLC

Debtors' Trade Names and Aliases (up to 8

years) (a/k/a, f/k/a, d/b/a):

155 Palmer Lane, LLC

Blockcap, Inc.

Core Scientific Holdings Co.

Core Scientific, Inc.

GPU One Holdings, LLC

Mineco Holdings, Inc.

Power & Digital Infrastructure Acquisition

Corp.

Radar Relay, LLC

XPDI

Bank Accounts:

Bank of America

City National Bank

Bremer Bank

Bankruptcy Judges and Staff for Southern

District of Texas:

Judge David R. Jones

Judge Marvin Isgur

Judge Christopher M. Lopez

Judge Jeffrey P. Norman

Judge Eduardo V. Rodriguez

Peter Bray

Jason Marchand

Albert Alonzo

Rosario Saldan

Christina Bryan

Melissa Morgan-Faircloth

LinhThu Do

Mario Rios

Yvonne Ho

Samantha Warda

Dena Hanovice Palermo

Carol Felchak

Jeannie Chavez

Sam S. Sheldon

Shannon Jones

Bondholders/Noteholders/Indenture

Trustees:

U.S. Bank National Association

Clerk of the Court for Southern District of

Texas:

Darlene Hansen

Nathan Ochsner

Contract Counterparties (includes patents:

and intellectual property)

(See Significant Customers and Contract

Counterparties)

Current Officers and Directors:

Carol Haines

Darin Feinstein

Denise Sterling

Jarvis Hollingsworth

Jeff Pratt

Jeff Taylor

Katharine ("Katy") Hall

Kneeland Youngblood

Krista Rhynard

Kyle Buckett

Lynn Burgener

Matthew Brown ("Matt")

Matthew Minnis ("Matt")

Michael Bros

Michael Levitt ("Mike")

Neal P. Goldman

Russell Cann

Steve Gitlin

Todd DuChene

Weston Adams

Affiliation of Current Officers and Directors:

Baylor Health Care System Foundation

California Institute of Technology (Caltech)

Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc.

Kayne Anderson BDC, LLC

Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors, L.P.

Kayne Anderson Energy Infrastructure Fund Inc. (KYN)

Kayne Anderson NextGen Energy & Infrastructure Inc. (KMF)

Laredo Petroleum, Inc.

Mackay Shields, LLC

Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals

Memorial Hermann Hospital System

Och Ziff Capital Management, LP

Pledgeling Technologies

Prostate Cancer Foundation

Scientific Games Corporation

Southwestern Medical Foundation

Talos Energy, Inc.

Teacher Retirement System of Texas

The Council on Foreign Relations

The Music Acquisition Corp

TPG Pace Beneficial Finance Corporation I and

II

Weatherford International

Benefit Providers:

(Workers Compensation/ Pension Plans /Third Party Administrators)

Aetna

Aflac

Allstate Benefits

American Security and Protection Services LLC

Blue Cross Blue Shield CA Blue Cross Blue Shield NC

BNY Mellon Bank

Chubb Personal Excess Liability Insurance

Citibank (Administered by PayFlex)

Delta Dental

Expensify Payments LLC

Farmers Group Select Home & Auto Insurance

Florida Blue

Globalization Partners Professional Services

Group Health Aetna

Guardian

Kaiser Permanente

MetLife

Optum Bank

Securitas Security Services USA, Inc.

TriNet - COBRA

TriNet HR III, LLC

Tufts

UnitedHealthcare ("UHC")

Vision Service Plan ("VSP")

Debtors Professionals:

AlixPartners LLP

PJT Partners LP

Stretto, Inc.

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP

Former Officers and Directors:

Aber Whitcomb

Alan Curtis

Brandon Curtis

Brett Harrison

Brian Neville

Bryce Johnson

Caleb Tebbe

Christel Sice

Christy Barwick

Clark Swanson

Colin Crowell

Dan Christen

Devon Eldridge

George Kollitides

Harlin Dean

Kevin Turner

Larry Rudolph

Matthew Bishop

Michael Truzpek

Peter Dorrius

Peter J. Novak

Peter Sladic

Sharon Orlopp

Stacie Olivares

<u>Insurance/Insurance Broker/Insurance</u> Provider/Surety Bonds:

AmTrust

AON

Arch Specialty Ins. Co (via AmWins)

Ascot Syndicate No. 1414 (Ethos via AmWins)

Aspen Specialty Ins. Co (via AmWins)

AXIS Surplus Ins. Co (via Amwins)

Beazley (Lloyd's Syndicate 2623)

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Beazley Insurance Company

Berkley National Insurance Company

Berkley Prof Liability

Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Ins. Company

CAC Specialty

Columbia Casualty Company (CNA)

Endurance American Specialty Insurance Company (Sompo)

Federal Insurance Company (Chubb)

General Casualty Co of WI (QBE)

Harco National Insurance Company (360)

Hiscox Insurance Company

Kinsale Insurance Company (via Amwins)

Landmark American Insurance Company (RSUI via Amwins)

Lexington Insurance Company (AIG) via RT Specialty

Lexington Insurance Company (via Amwins)

Lloyd's Syndicate No. 2623 (Beazley UK)

National Union Fire Ins. Co of Pittsburgh (AIG)

Navigators Insurance Co (Hartford)

Obsidian Specialty Insurance Company (Orion via RT Specialty)

Pennsylvania Insurance Company (Applied via RT Specialty)

Policies Held by PEOs TriNet and Globalization Partners

QBE Insurance Corporation

Starr Indemnity & Liability Co

Swiss Re Corporate Solutions Capacity Ins. Corp (via Amwins)

The Princeton Excess & Surplus Lines Ins. Co (Munich Re via Amwins)

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Vantage Risk Specialty Insurance Company (RT Specialty)

Wright National Flood Ins. Co (NFIP)

XL Specialty Ins. Co.

Landlords and Parties to Leases:

Cheryl Ogle & the Crystal Ogle Management Trust

City of Denton

Dalton-Whitfield Joint Development Authority

Elmington Property Management LLC

Elmington Property Mgmt. LLC - Monarch

Apartments

Hannig Row Partnership

Hudson GRC LLC

Hurd Real Estate Associates

Jobe Ranch Family Limited Partnership, Lessor

(11/15/2021)

Jobe Ranch Family Limited Partnership

Liberty Point Apartments

Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc.

Minnkota Power Cooperative, Lessor (Commercial Lease, Ground Lease)

Mobley Holdings LLC - Liberty Point

Apartments

Monarch Apartment Homes

Ncredible Properties

Nodak Electric Cooperative

Nodak Electric Cooperative Inc.

Peerless Events & Tents LLC

SRPF A QR Riversouth LLC

The District

The Preserve at Spring Creek

Tien Yun Investments, LLC (dba TY Properties)

Worksmith, Inc.

Lenders:

1994 Steinfeld Family Trust

36th Street Capital

ACM ELF ST, LLC (Atalaya)

Amplify Transformational Data Sharing ETF

Anchorage Lending CA, LLC

Andrew Rosen 2004 Successor Insurance Trust

Apollo Centre Street Partnership, L.P.

Apollo Lincoln Fixed Income Fund, L.P. Apollo Moultrie Credit Fund, L.P.

Apollo Tactical Value SPN Investments, L.P.

Arctos Credit, LLC

B. Riley Bridge Loan

B. Riley Commercial Capital, LLC

Bank of the West

Barings BDC, Inc.

Barings Capital Investment Corporation

Barings Private Credit Corp

Barkley Investments, LLC

Better Downtown Miami LLC

Birch Grove Strategies Master Fund LP

BlackRock Credit Alpha Master Fund L.P.

BlockFi

BlockFi A

BlockFi B

BlockFi Lending, LLC

Bremer Bank

BRF Finance Co., LLC

Brown Corporation

Cannon Investments LLC

Celsius Core LLC

Corbin Opportunity Fund, L.P.

Cryptonic Black, LLC

David Sarner

De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc.

Dell Financial Services L.L.C.

Douglas Lipton

Ferro Investments Ltd.

FGK Investments Ltd.

Fidelity Capital Corp.

First Sun Investments, LLC

Frank Pollaro

FTF Diversified Holdings, LP

Galaxy Digital LP

Garic Limited

Genesis Global Capital, LLC

Genesis Global Capital, LLC #1

Greensledge Merchant Holdings, LLC

Gullane Capital Partners, LLC

Gullane Digital Asset Partners OP, LLC

Gullane Digital Asset Partners, LLC

HC NCBR Fund

Holliwood, LLC

Ibex Partners (Core) LP

ICG CoreSci Holdings, LP

Indigo Direct Lending, LLC

James Pulaski

Jason Capello

John Badger Quinn

John P. Joliet

JPAS - Credit LLC ("JPAS" is Jordan Park

Access Solutions)

JPAS - Crypto Infrastructure-A S.P.

JSK Partnership LLC

Kensico Associates, L.P.

Kensico Offshore Fund Master, Ltd

KMR CS Holdings, LLC

Leon J. Simkins Non-Exempt Trust FBO

Michael Simkins

Levbern Management LLC

Liberty Commercial Finance, LLC

Liberty Stonebriar

Marsico AXS CS LLC

Mass Mutual Barings

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company

Milos Core LLC

Monbanc Inc.

Neso Investment Group Ltd

North Mill Equipment Finance

North Star Leasing

Northdata Holdings Inc.

Novak

NYDIG

OIP SPV Core Scientific, LLC

Omega Interceptor Restricted Ltd

Pescadero Capital, LLC

Prime Alliance Bank

Richard Katz 2016 GST Trust

Robert Fedrock

Sabby Volatility Warrant Master Fund, Ltd.

SRPF A QR Riversouth LLC

Stonebriar Commercial Finance LLC

Stonebriar Finance Holdings LLC

SunnySide Consulting and Holdings, Inc.

TBC 222 LLC

Tech Finance Corporation

The Kimmel Family Foundation

The Michael O. Johnson Revocable Trust

The Obsidian Master Fund

The Sear Family 1996 Trust

The William R. Guthy Separate Property Trust

TJC3 LLC

Toyota Commercial Finance

Transatlantic Mobility Holdings II LLC

Trinity Capital Inc.

U.S. Bank National Association

VFS LLC

Vineet Agrawal

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB

Wolfswood Holdings LLC

Wormser Family Partnership II, LP

Wormser Family Partnership 11, LP

XMS Core Convert Holdings LLC

List of the Top 30 Unsecured Creditors:

AAF International

Amazon Web Services Inc.

Bergstrom Electric

BRF Finance Co., LLC

CDW Direct

CES Corporation

Cherokee County Tax Collector

Cooley LLP

Dalton Utilities

DK Construction Company

Duke Energy

FlowTx

Gensler

Harper Construction Company, Inc.

Herc Rentals

Kentucky Department of Revenue

LiveView Technologies Inc.

Marshall County Sheriff

McDermott Will and Emery LLP

Moss Adams LLP

OP

Priority Power Management, LLC Reed Wells Benson and Company Securitas Security Services USA Inc.

Shell Energy Solutions Sidley Austin LLP

Tenaska Power Services Co

Tenet Solutions Trilogy LLC

U.S. Customs and Border Patrol

<u>List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100</u> <u>Largest Unsecured Claims (Excluding</u> <u>Insiders):</u>

A to Z pest Control and Services

AAF International

AccuForce HR Solutions LLC

Acme Tools

Altru Health System Amazon Business

Amazon Web Services Inc. American Paper and Twine Co

American Security and Protection Service LLC

AT&T

Averitt Express Inc.
Bearden Industrial Supply
Bergstrom Electric
BlockFi Lending LLC

C & W Facility Services, Inc. C.H. Robinson Company, Inc.

Callahan Mechanical Contractors Inc. Carolina Recycling & Consulting LLC

CES Corporation

Charter Communications, Inc. (dba Spectrum)

Cherokee County Tax Collector

City of Calvert City

Collier Electrical Service Inc.

ComputerShare Inc.

Condair Inc

Dakota Carrier Network

Data Sales Co Inc.

Delaware Secretary of State DJNR Interactive LLC DK Construction Company

Draffen Mart Inc. EPB of Chattanooga

Equinix Inc.

Equipment Depot of Kentucky Inc.

Frontier Communications America Inc.

Gensler

Globalization Partners LLC

GreatAmerica Financial Services

Grubhub Holdings Inc.

Hannan Supply Company Inc.

Herc Rentals

IEWC Global Solutions

Interstate Welding and Steel Supply

J W Didado Electric LLC

Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation

Jacob John Novak Kelly Services Inc

Lattice Lib Fin LLC

Lisa Ragan Customs Brokerage

Manpower

Marble Community Water System

Marnoy Interests Ltd. Marshall County Sheriff

MassMutual Asset Finance LLC

Moss Adams LLP Mountain Top Ice

Onyx Contractors Operations, LP

Optilink

Proctor Management

Reed Wells Benson and Company Regional Disposal and Metal LLC

Resound Networks LLC Ricks Rental Equipment Robert Half Talent Solutions

Securitas Security Services USA Inc.

Slalom LLC Snelling

Stonebriar Finance Holdings LLC

Supreme Fiber LLC

Technology Finance Corporation Temps Plus of Paducah Inc.

Tenaska Colocation Services LLC

Tennessee Valley Authority
Truckload Connections, LLC
US Customs and Border Patrol
Waste Path Services LLC
Water Works C&R, LLC
XC Container LLC

ZetaMinusOne LLC

List of 5 Largest Secured Claims:

(See Significant Vendors/Suppliers)

<u>Lawsuits (includes threatened litigation)</u>:

Benjamin Thomison & Alpha Asic

Harlin Dean

Jonathan Barrett, et al.

LV net, Mizrahi et al.

McCarthy Buildings Companies, Inc.

Mei Pang

Sphere 3d

Stayfirst Branding Agency

Non-Debtor Affiliates and Subsidiaries:

Core Scientific Partners GP, LLC (SMLLC)

Core Scientific Partners, LP

CSP Advisors, LLC (SMLLC)

CSP Liquid Opportunities Fund, LP

CSP Liquid Opportunities GP, LP

CSP Liquid Opportunities Master Fund, LP

CSP Liquid Opportunities Offshore Fund

(Exempted Ltd)

Team LLC

XPDI Sponsor LLC

Non-Debtors Professionals:

Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP

(Counsel for Prepetition Secured Lenders)

Duane Morris LLP

Ducera Partners

(Proposed as Investment Banker for the

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors)

Moelis & Company LLC

Paul Hastings LLP

(Counsel for Ad Hoc Group of Secured

Convertible Noteholders)

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

(Proposed Counsel for Ad Hoc Group of

Equity Security Holders)

Sidley Austin LLP

(Counsel of NYDIG ABL LLC)

Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP

(Counsel for Dalton Utilities)

Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

(Proposed Counsel for the Official

Committee of Unsecured Creditors)

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditor Members and Professionals:

Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

Ducera Partners

Dalton Utilities

Sphere 3D Corp.

BRF Finance Co., LLC (a B. Riley affiliate)

Other Parties in Interest:

(See Other Parties in Interest (Notice of

Appearance Parties, and any other person or group appointed)

Notice of Appearance Parties/Interested

Parties:

36th Street Capital Partners, LLC

Barings BDC, Inc. (as prepetition secured lenders)

Barings Capital Investment Corporation (as prepetition secured lenders)

Barings Private Credit Corp. (as prepetition secured lenders)

BlockFi, Inc.

CEC Energy Services LLC

City of Denton

Dalton Utilities

GEM Mining 1, LLC

GEM Mining 2, LLC

GEM Mining 2B, LLC

GEM Mining 3, LLC

GEM Mining 4, LLC

Harper Construction Company, Inc.

Huband-Mantor Construction, Inc.

Humphrey & Associates, Inc.

Marnoy Interests, Ltd. d/b/a Office Pavilion, or Office Pavilion

Office Pavillon

MP2 Energy Texas, LLC d/b/a Shell Energy Solutions

NYDIG ABL LLC (f/k/a Arctos Credit, LLC) ("NYDIG")

Prime Alliance Bank, Inc.

Priority Power Management, LLC

Sphere 3D Corp.

SRPF A OR Riversouth LLC

Tenaska Power Services Co.

Travis County (TX)

Trinity Capital Inc.

U.S. Bank National Association (as Prepetition

Note Agent and Collateral Agent)

Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

(Proposed Counsel for the Official

Committee of Unsecured Creditors)

Wingspire Equipment Finance, LLC

Ordinary Course Professionals:

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP

Alston & Bird LLP

Andersen Tax LLC

Bitmain Technology Inc.

Blue Ridge Law & Policy, P.C.

Campbells Regulatory Services Limited

CO Services Cayman Limited

Cooley LLP

CrossCountry Consulting LLC

CSS Partners, LLC

Cypress Advocacy, LLC dba Mindset

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Deloitte Tax LLP

Deloitte Transactions and Business Analytics

LLP

Ernst & Young LLP

Ernst & Young Product Sales LLC

Ernst and Young US LLP

Evercore Group LLC

Faegre Drinker Biddle and Reath LLP

Fishman Stewart PLLC

Frost, Brown Todd LLC

Gartner Inc.

Gasthalter and Co LP

Greenberg Traurig, LLP

Holland and Hart LLP

Ironclad, Inc.

Jackson Walker LLP

Kirkland and Ellis LLP

KPMG LLP

Marcum LLP

McDermott Will & Emery LLP

Mintz Group LLC

Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP

Moss Adams LLP

Murphy & Grantland, P.A.

NASDAQ Corporate Solutions, LLC

NAVEX Global, Inc.

Netgain Solutions, Inc.

Oracle America, Inc.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Prickett Jones and Elliott PA

Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP

Registered Agent Solutions, Inc.

Resources Global Professionals

Richards Layton and Finger PA

Riverbend Consulting LLC

Rowlett Hill Collins LLP

Ryan & Associates

Ryan LLC

Sidley Austin LLP

Sitrick and Company

Snell & Wilmer

Sternhell Group

Williams & Connolly LLP

Workday, Inc.

Workiva Inc.

Frost, Brown Todd LLC

Proposed Ad Hoc Group of Equity Security Holders and Professionals:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

Custodian CSPB

Douglas Abrams

Eddie Griffin

Jay Deutsch

Lukasz Gottwald

Mark Beaven

The Rudolph Family Trust

Todd Deutsch

Two Trees Capital Limited BVI

Other Secured Parties (Letters of Credit/ Issuers of Letters of Credit):

N/A

<u>Partnerships (if debtors is a partnership, its general and limited partners):</u>

N/A

Regulatory and Government:

(See Taxing Authorities)

Environmental Protection Agency

Internal Revenue Service ("IRS")

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC")

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Secured Creditors:

ABLe Communications, Inc.

ComNet Communications, LLC

Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc. dba

Sun Valley Electric Supply

Coonrod Electric Co, LLC

Elliot Electric Supply, Inc.

Harper Construction

Housley Communications, Inc.

Huband Mantor Construction Inc.

Humprey & Associates, Inc.

LML Services dba FlowTx

McElroy Metal Mill, Inc. dba McElroy Metal

MK-Marlow Company, LLC

Morsco Supply LLC dba Morrison Supply

Company

Network Cabling Services, Inc.

Priority Power

Summit Electric Supply Sure Steel - Texas, LP T&D Moravits & Co. Texas AirSystems, LLC

Wesley-Thompson Hardware, Inc.

Significant Competitors:

Argo Blockchain PLC Bitfarms Technologies Ltd.

(fka Blockchain Mining Ltd.)

Cipher Mining Inc. CleanSpark, Inc.

Greenidge Generation Holdings Inc. Hive Blockchain Technologies Inc.

Hut 8 Mining Corp. Iris Energy Ltd.

Marathon Digital Holdings, Inc. Mawson Infrastructure Group Inc.

Riot Blockchain, Inc.

Significant Customers and Contract

Counterparties:

1277963 B.C. Ltd dba Bitfield ADQ Financial Services LLC Agricultural Scientific LLC

Aidant.ai

AJT Trading, LLC

Alloy Ventures Management LLC

Argo Innovation Labs Inc. AsicXchange Team Inc. Atlas Technology Group LLC Bay Colony Law Center, LLC

Bay Online Media Benjamin Rees BEP 888, LLC BEP 999, LLC Bitdeer, Inc.

Bit Digital USA, Inc. Bitmain Development Inc.

Bitmain Technologies Georgia Limited

Bitmaintech PTE LTD Bizmatica Polska JSC Block One Technology

Blockcap Inc.

Blockchain United Mining Services

Blockfusion Technologies Blue Hills Co, LLC Blue Torch Capital LP Brent Jason Deboer

Burdy Technology Limited

BW Holdings, LLC CAC Global LLC

CCP Credit Acquisition Holdings, L.L.C.

Celsius Mining LLC

Charles Aram

Chris Chiovitti Holdings Inc.

Clearly Leasing, LLC

Colin Jacobs Colin Smith

Compass Mining, Inc. Crypto Garden, Inc. Cumulus Coin LLC DCG Foundry LLC

Digifarm Technologies Limited Dreams and Digital, LLC

DUS Management Inc.

Etcembly Ltd
EverData, LLC
EZ BlockChain LLC
Flourishing Field Limited

Gateway Korea Inc.
GEM Mining
Gilley Enterprises
Global Star Holding Co.
Goodrose 5009, Inc.

Gopher, LLC GPU.ONE Greg Pipho

Gryphon Digital Mining, Inc.

Hanwha Energy USA Holdings Corporation

Henry Ho

Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company

Hockomock Mining Company

Horizon Kinetics

Icons8
Isoplex Inc.
Israel Garcia
Jacob McDaniel
JAM Mining Corp.

JMB Capital Partners Lending, LLC

Kaboomracks, Inc. Kalon Investments, LLC Kristy-Leigh Minehan Lake Parime USA Inc.

Leon Hadgis LivePerson, Inc. Lonestar Ole Git LLC Luxor Technology Corp Mark Bordcosh Mineority Group Mineority Group LLC

Mississippi Home Development

N9+, LLC

New Green Network LLC

NextEra Energy Capital Holdings

NFN8 Media, LLC

Nissan North America, Inc.

Nomura Corporate Funding Americas, LLC

North Georgia Data LLC NVIDIA Corporation

Pete Abdo

Polyphase Capital, LLC Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd.

Pure Storage, Inc.

Quandefi Opportunities LLC

Quantum Digital Network Assets, LLC

Richard Norman
Rio Verde Holdings Ltd
River Financial Inc.
RJW Digital Solutions
RME Black 100, LLC
RME Black 200, LLC

RME Black 88, LLC Rodrigo Perusquia

RPM Balance, Inc. Rudy Worrell Savage.io Seagen Inc.

Sensika Technologies OOD

Serge Marin Socrates Roxas Spring Mud LLC

Summit Crypto Mining Limited

Supplybit, LLC

Tansley Equipment Limited Techshop Computers Ltd.

Teslawatt

The Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence

Timeless Digital Corp. T-Mobile USA, Inc. Tomek Group, LLC Tony Grijalva

TYMIF Coin Ventures, LLC

Union Jack, LLC

UnitX

US Digital Mining and Hosting Co., LLC

Vaerus Mining SPV2 LLC VCV Power Mining Alpha LLC William McCarter

* Certain Other Contract Counterparties of a

Confidential Nature

Significant Shareholders (more than 5% of equity):

Darin Feinstein
Michael J. Levitt
MPM Life LLC

Significant Vendors/Suppliers:

1872 Consulting LLC 2012Exxact Corporation

5Fastenation Inc. 5STAR5 INC

Abu Dhabi Ports Company PJSC – KIZAD

Accent Awnings Inc. Adaptive Insights LLC

Advanced Business Equipment

Agility Logistics Corp Agora NW LLC AIM Summit FZE

Aircraft Services Group Inc. Airflow Sciences Corporation

Alation, Inc.

Albacross Nordic AB

Alfa Internationals Logistics Inc.

Aliexpress

Alliance Funding Group Allied Steel Buildings Inc.

Allstream

Alpha Miner LLC Alpha Vertical Inc. Alston and Bird LLP

Alteryx Inc.

American Registry for Internet Numbers Ltd

Americord

Ameri-Dedicated Inc.
Andrew Ferraro
Angel Bajarano Borra

Angel Bejarano Borrega Aon Consulting Inc.

AON Risk Insurance Services West Inc.

Applied Scale Technology

ARIBA INC

Armstrong Moving Solutions San Antonio LLC

Arrow Exterminators Arrowfish Consulting

Atlantic Trailer Leasing & Sales, LLC

Atlas Mining Atrio Inc.

AvTech Capital LLC

Bandy Transport Company Barnhart Crane and Rigging Co Beacon Building Products

Bearcom

Belyea Company Inc. Benton Electric Supply Inc.

Bernard Klopfer

Better IT Solutions LLC

Big Ass Fans

Bigbee Steel Buildings Inc.

Bigeye, Inc.

Bitmain Development Inc. Bitmain Technologies Limited

Bitwave

Black Box Network Services Inc.

Blackline Safety Corp

Blackpearl Management and Human Resource

Consulting LLC

Blakes Cassels and Graydon LLP

Blockchain Association

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas Bring Light and Sound LLC

Broadridge ICS BTC Media

Building Image Group, Inc.

Built In Inc.

Bureau Van Dijk Electronic Publishing Inc.

Business Wire Inc. BWS Acoustics

Calloway County Board of Education

Calvert Cafe LLC

Calvert City Municipal Water and Sewer

Canaan Convey Co Ltd

Capital City Public Affairs LLC
Capxon Electronics Shenzhen Co Ltd
Carolina Utility Customers Association
Carpet Capital Fire Protection Inc.
Carpet Capital Multi-System Inc.

CCR Corp CDW Direct

CDW Middle East FZ LLC

CenturyLink

Cesar Gomez Martin
CFS Containers

Chamber of Digital Commerce

Chapeau!

Cherokee County Health Department

Cherokee Well Drilling

Chroma System Solutions, Inc.

Chubb

Ciemat CIOReview

Circular Technologies Inc.

Cision US Inc.

Citadel Securities Corp Solutions

City Electric Supply

City of Bellevue - Tax Division Cleerline Technology Group LLC

Cloudflare Inc.
CNA Insurance

Cohen and Company LTD

Coin Center Inc. Coinbase Inc. Coindesk Inc.

Colo Properties Atlanta LLC Color Scapes Landscaping, Inc.

Commercial Acoustics Common Desk Austin LLC

Compensation Advisory Partners, LLC

Comware

ConGlobal Industries LLC Consero Global Solutions LLC

Consilio LLC

Constellation New Energy, Inc. Container Monster LLC Convergint Technologies LLC

CoreWeave Inc.

Covert Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Crescendo Collective LLC Crestline Solutions LLC Critical Components Inc.

Crystal Caverns Spring Water LLC Cunningham Golf and Utility Vehicles

Cusip Global Services

D16 LLC

Dakota Fire Protection Inc.
Dalton Fence Company
Dalton Service Inc.
Databricks, Inc.
Datasite LLC
David Herrington

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP
Denton Chamber of Commerce Inc.

Dentons Canada LLP DHL Express (USA) Inc.

DigiCert Inc.
Digi-key

Digital Asset Services Ltd Digital London Ltd Digital Mountain Inc. Dillon Eldridge Distributed Ledger Inc. Dockery Auto Parts Dockzilla Co

Docusign Inc.

Dongguan Fa Site Electronic Technology Co

Ltd

Donnelley Financial Solutions

DSV Air and Sea Inc.
Eagle Promotions
Eaton Corporation
eCapital Advisors LLC
Elasticsearch Inc.
Electra Link Inc.

Electric Power Engineers Inc.

Electrical Com

Elite Electric Company LLC

Employer Solutions Resources LLC

Engineered Fluids, Inc. EPIC ASIC Asia Limited

Equisolve Inc

ERI Economic Research Institute Inc.

Ernest Industries Inc. Esteban LaSalle

EvoTek

Farm & Ranch Construction, LLC Farming with Stephanie LLC

Fastenal Company Federico Bohn

FedEx

Felker Construction Company Inc. Fernando Manuel Sierra Pajuelo

Fidelity Investments Institutional Operations

Company LLC

Financial Accounting Standards

Board/Governmental Accounting Standards

Board FINRA Fireblocks Inc.

First Insurance Funding First National Capital LLC

First-Line Fire Extinguisher Company

Flexential Colorado Corp

FlowTx

ForensisGroup Inc. Forks Landscaping LLC

Forum Communications Company

Foshan Dilue Supply Chain Mgmt. Co Ltd

Franchise Tax Board Free Transportation LLC FreightEx Logistics LLC Frontline Shredding Inc.

Frost Brown Todd Attorneys LLC

FS.Com Inc. FXSA

G.I. Joe Landscaping, LLC Gagnon & Miceli Freight Inc. Genesis Custody Limited Gibson and Associates Inc. Gilmore Kramer Co

GitHub Inc.

Glaze Supply Company Inc. Goldstein and Lee PC

GoodHire

Goodway Group Inc.

Google LLC

Grand Forks Utility Billing

Great Sports Inc. Greatland Corporation

Green Business Certification, Inc.

Greenhouse Software Inc.

GreensLedge Capital Markets LLC

Greyline Partners LLC Griffin C Simerly Guardian Life Gustavo Melo Belfort

Hamin Kang

Hannig Row Partnership

Harper Construction Company, Inc.

Heapy

Hill and Wilkinson Construction Group Ltd

HM Tech LLC Holland LLC

Holloway Updike and Bellen Inc.

HubSpot Inc.

Hudson Incentives Inc.

Hughes Electric Paint & Supplies Human Rights Foundation Hurricane Electric LLC Hutchins Pallet Service, Inc. Hutchison and Steffen PLLC

ICE Systems, Inc. ICI Mechanical LLC

ICS Inc.

IDC Research Inc.

INE

Integrated Networking Technologies LLC

Integrity Door Solutions LLC

Intralinks, Inc. Ironclad Inc.

Jackie L Bryan Javier Lazaro Jareno JBM Office Solutions JCL Energy LLC Joaquin Pablo Gonzalez

Jobot John Furner

Jonathan Barrett 2012 Irrevocable Trust dated

May 31 2012 Juan Jose Galan Lopez K and E Lawn Service LLC Katz Marshall and Banks LLP

Keith Larry Watkins

Kenco Material Handling Solutions LLC Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development

Kesco Air Inc.

Kilpatrick Townsend and Stockton LLP

King Ford

Kings Road RV Park LLC

Know Agency KnowBe4 Inc. Labor Finders

Lake Effect Traffic LLC

Lancaster Safety Consulting, Inc.

Landstar Ranger Inc. Lane Powell PC LANshack Com Larry Ledford Lenz LLC

Level 3 Communications LLC
LHC Capital Partners Inc.
LHH Recruitment Solutions
LinkedIn Corporation
LiveView Technologies Inc.
Lockton Insurance Brokers LLC
Logistica CryptoMining Repair LLC

LRN Corporation Lukka Inc.

M & S Patterson, Inc. Manley Four Little Pigs Inc.

Manning Land LLC Marco Technologies LLC

Marshall County Battery and Golf Carts Inc.

Marshall County Tax Administrator

McMaster-Carr MDSI Inc.

Mediant Communications Inc.

Megaport USA Inc.

Meridian Equipment Finance LLC

Michael Cruz

Microsoft Azure Mike Darling Films

Miller Griffin and Marks PSC

Mindset

Mission Critical Facilities International, Inc.

MJDII Architects Inc.

MNP LLP

Mobile Modular Portable Storage

Monnit Corporation Monoprice Inc. M-RETS

MSC Industrial Supply Co. Murphy and Grantland PA

Murtco Inc.

Muskogee City-County Port Authority

Mustache Creative Studio

Nancy C Sayers

Nanning Dinggao Tech Limited

National Association of Corp Directors

Neeraj Agrawal Next Level Valet LLC

NextLevel nference, Inc. Nicolas Carter

Office of State Tax Commissioner Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company

Oklahoma Tax Commission

Okta Inc.

Old Dominion Freight Line Inc. Old Republic National Title Ins. Co

Omeir Cargo LLC

Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC Onestopmining Technologies Limited

Onin Staffing, LLC OnlineComponents.com Oracle Capital LLC Orange Computers ORGDEV Limited

Overhead Door Company of Clayton/Overhead

Door Company of Tri State

Parker Lynch

Paulo Roberto Pereira de Souza Filho

Pax ADR LLC Paycom Payroll LLC PeopleReady Inc. Pepsi MidAmerica Petter Business Systems

Pioneer Abstract and Title Co of Muskogee Inc.

Plant Tours Communications Company

Platinum Platypus Inc.

Premier Fire and Security Inc.

Prime Mowing and Property Management LLC

Pure Water Technology of the Tri State Area

LLC

Pye-Barker Fire and Safety LLC

O4 Inc.

Quality Water Financial LLC Quik Print of Austin Inc.

Rack and Shelving Consultants

Radiant PPC LLC Raymond Pope

RBI USA Customs Services LLC

RC Ventures Inc.

Recycling Equipment Corporation

Red Moon 88 LLC Reffett Associates

Regents Capital Corporation Reliance Telephone Systems

Rezvani Mining LLC Robson Forensic Inc. Rockwell Automation Inc.

Roman Krasiuk Ruric Inc. SafetySkills LLC

SAGE Capital Investments, LLC

Salary.com LLC Salesforce.com, Inc. Say Technologies LLC

Scott Malewig

Sebastian Javier Marconi Sharp Business Systems

Sharpertek

Shermco Industries, Inc. Silver Fox Productions Inc.

Silverpeak Special Situations Lending LP

Slack Technologies LLC

Smartsheet Inc.

Smoky Mountain BBQ Company LLC

Solomon Corporation

Southeastern System Services Inc.

Southern Cargo LLC Spectrum Business SpectrumVoIP Inc. Spotless Cleaning Stafftax Financial LLC

Standby Service Solutions LLC

State of Tennessee Department of Revenue

Stone Tower Air LLC Summit Energy Services Inc. Summit Funding Group Inc.

Sunny Shah

Sunnyside Consulting and Holdings Inc.

SunValley Electric Supply

SuperAcme Technology Hong Kong LTD

Susan Oh Communications

Synopsys Inc Synovus Bank Tag Resources LLC

Tangent Energy Solutions Inc.

Tango Lima, LP

Tax Executives Institute Inc.

TDIndustries Inc.

Teague Nall and Perkins Inc.

Technijian Inc.

Technology Navigators LLC TechSource Global LLC Telecom Site Solutions LLC

Telfi LLC

Telles Global Consulting Inc.

Temps Plus Inc.

Tenaska Power Services Co

Tenet Solutions

Tennessee Valley Industrial Committee

Texas Blockchain Council Texas Workforce Commission

The Coindad LLC
The Crown Restaurant

The MacLellan

The Specialty Company - TSC The Treadstone Group Inc.

Thomson Reuters Tax and Accounting

checkpoint

Thycotic Software LLC Time Warner Cable Top Imprint Limited

Tor Naerheim Brand Design LLC Total Quality Logistics LLC

Tower Direct Trace3 LLC

TRACS Manufacturing LLC Tractor and Palm Inc.

Tractor and Palm .
Travis Asphalt

Triangle Enterprises, Inc.

Trilogy LLC TriNet COBRA

Trinity Risk Solutions LLC True North Data Solutions US Inc. TXU Energy Retail Company LLC

TY Properties

U line

United Capital Partners

United Rentals North America Inc

United Rentals North America Inc.

University of California, San Diego

UPS Supply Chain Solutions Inc.

Upstate Containers LLC

Validus Power Corp

Vandco Equipment

VCheck Global LLC

Veriedge LLC

Veritext LLC

Vesco Toyota Lift

VMS Security Cloud Inc.

Volt Management Corp

Wachsman PR LLC

Waste Disposal Solutions Inc.

Waterlogic Americas LLC

Wells and West Inc.

WEX Health Inc.

Whitfield Electric Motor Sales & Service, Inc.

Whitney J Beauxis

Widseth Smith Nolting and Associates, Inc.

Williams Farm LLC

Williams Marston LLC

Wilson Built Fab Shop

Workplace Solutions Inc.

Young MFG Inc.

Zendesk Inc.

Zeus Mining Co Ltd

Zimney Foster PC

Ziply Fiber

Zoom Video Communications Inc.

ZoomInfo Technologies

Taxing Authorities:

Austin, TX Lease - existing office (Worksmith)

Austin, TX Lease - new office (Riversouth)

California Franchise Tax Board

Cedarvale, TX

Cherokee County Tax Collector (NC)

City of Calvert City (Calvert City, KY)

City of Denton, TX

Colorado Department of Revenue

Dalton-Whitfield Joint Development Authority;

Carl Campbell, Executive Director

Eddie McGuire, Marshall County Sheriff

(Benton, KY)

Georgia Department of Revenue

Internal Revenue Service

Jobe Ranch Family Limited Partnership, Lessor (11/15/2021)

Kentucky Department of Revenue

Kentucky State Treasurer

King County Assessor (Seattle, WA)

Marshall County (Kentucky) Department of

Revenue

Minnkota Power Cooperative

ND Office of State Tax Commissioner

North Carolina Department of Revenue

North Dakota Department of Revenue

North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner

Oklahoma Department of Revenue

State of Delaware - Division of Corporations

Tennessee Department of Revenue

Tennessee Valley Authority - Economic

Development - Thomas Buehler (Calvert

City)

Texas Comptroller / Texas Comptroller - Sales

& Use Tax

Travis County, TX (Austin, TX HQ)

US Customs and Border Protection

Ward County Assessor (TX)

Whitfield County Board of Assessors (Dalton,

GA)

U.S. Attorney's Office for Southern District

of Texas:

Jennifer Lowery

UCC Search Results/UCC Lien Search

Results:

ACM ELF ST LLC

Anchorage Lending CA, LLC

Arctos Credit, LLC

Bank Financial

Barings BDC, Inc.

Barings Capital Investment Corporation

Barings Private Credit Corp.

BEAM Concrete Construction, Inc.

C T Corporation System, as Representative

Celsius Networks Lending LLC

CIT Bank, N.A.

CM TFS LLC

ComNet Communications, LLC

Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc. dba

Sun Valley Electric Supply

Contech Construction

Contech, Inc.

Convergint Technologies LLC

Coonrod Electric Co, LLC Corporation Service Company Dell Financial Services L.L.C. Elliot Electric Supply, Inc.

GARIC INC. GARIC, INC.

Gaylor Electric, Inc. d/b/a Gaylor, Inc.

Graybar Electric Company Inc.
Graybar Electric Company, Inc.
Housley Communications, Inc.
Huband-Mantor Construction Inc.
Humphrey & Associates, Inc.
Humprey & Associates, Inc.
Imperial Fire Protection, LLC
Indigo Commercial Funding, LLC
LML Services dba FlowTx

Maddox Industrial Transformer LLC MassMutual Asset Finance LLC McCarthy Building Companies Inc. McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. McCorvey Sheet Metal Works, LP

McElroy Metal Mill, Inc. dba McElroy Metal

MK Marlow Company, LLC

Morsco Supply LLC dba Morrison Supply

Company

Network Cabling Services, Inc.

North Mill Credit Trust

NYDIG ABL LLC

Power & Digital Infrastructure Corp.

Priority Power

Silverpeak Credit Partners LP, as Collateral

Agent

Stonebriar Commercial Finance LLC Stonebriar Finance Holdings LLC

Summit Electric Supply Sure Steel - Texas, LP T&D Moravits & Co. TCF National Bank Texas AirSystems, LLC

Toyota Industries Commercial Finance, Inc.

VFSOX, LLC Way Mechanical

Wesley-Thompson Hardware, Inc.

XPDI Merger SUB, Inc.

Unions:

N/A

United States Trustee and Staff for Southern District of Toyoga

District of Texas:

Alethea Caluza Alicia Barcomb Brian Henault

Christopher R. Travis
Christy Simmons
Clarissa Waxton
Glenn Otto
Gwen Smith
Ha Nguyen
Hector Duran
Ivette Gerhard
Jana Whitworth

Jayson B. Ruff Kevin M. Epstein Linda Motton Luci Johnson-Davis

Millie Aponte Sall

Patricia Schmidt S. Michele Cox Stephen Statham Steven Whitehurst Valerie Goodwin Yasmine Rivera

Utility Providers/Utility Brokers:

Alpha Waste

BalsamWest Fiber Net

Calvert City Hall (Kentucky)

Carolina Recycling CenturyLink

Charter Communications, Inc. (dba Spectrum)

Cogent Communications Countrywide Sanitation Co Dakota Carrier Network

Dalton Utilities

Dellcom (Dell Telephone) Denton Municipal Electric Dialog Telecommunications

Digital Realty Dobson Fiber Duke Energy

Duke Energy Carolinas Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Frontier Communications

GlobalGig

Internal/Resound Networks Level 3 Communications LLC

Logix Fiber Networks Lumen/CenturyLink Marble Community Murphy Electric Power Board NODAK Electric Cooperative Optilink Regional Waste Resound Networks Shell Energy Solutions Starlink TanMar Rentals, LLC Tennessee Valley Authority Time Warner Cable Windstream Communications Xcel Energy, Inc.

Exhibit 2

Disclosure Schedule

Matched Entity	Relationship to Debtors	Relationship to Weil	
ACM ELF ST, LLC (Atalaya)	Lenders UCC Search Results/UCC Lien Search Results	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
AlixPartners LLP	Debtors Professionals	Current Client	
Amazon Business Amazon Web Services Inc.	List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims List of the Top 30 Unsecured Creditors	Related to Current Client	
Apollo Centre Street Partnership, L.P. Apollo Lincoln Fixed Income Fund, L.P. Apollo Moultrie Credit Fund, L.P. Apollo Tactical Value SPN Investments, L.P.	Lenders	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
AT&T	List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims	Related to Current Client	
Bank of America	Bank Accounts	Current Client	
Bank of the West	Lenders	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Barings BDC, Inc. Barings Capital Investment Corporation Barings Private Credit Corp. Mass Mutual Barings MassMutual Asset Finance LLC Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company	Lenders Notice of Appearance / Interested Party UCC Search Results/UCC Lien Search Results	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Ins. Company	Insurance/Insurance Broker/ Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Former Client	
BlackRock Credit Alpha Master Fund, L.P	Lenders Affiliate or Subsider of Current Clienters		
Blue Torch Capital LP	Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties	Current Client	

Matched Entity	Relationship to Debtors	Relationship to Weil
BW Holdings, LLC	Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties	Current Client and Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
CAC Specialty	Insurance/Insurance Broker/ Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds	Current Client
CCP Credit Acquisitions Holdings, L.L.C.	Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
CenturyLink	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Current Client
Level 3 Communications LLC	Utility Providers/Utility Brokers	and
Lumen/CenturyLink		Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
Citadel Securities Corp Solutions	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
Citibank (Administered by PayFlex)	Benefit Providers (Workers Compensation/Pension Plans/Third Party Administrators)	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
City National Bank	Bank Accounts	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
CoinBase, Inc.	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Related to Current Client
CoinDesk Inc. DCG Foundry LLC Foundry Digital LLC	Lenders Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client and
Genesis Custody Limited	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Former Client
Genesis Global Capital, LLC		
Genesis Global Capital, LLC #1		
ConGlobal Industries LLC	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
Cumulus Coin LLC	Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client
De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc.	Lenders	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Former Client
Dell Financial Services L.L.C.	Lenders UCC Search Results/UCC Lien Search Results	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client or Related to Current Client

Matched Entity	Relationship to Debtors	Relationship to Weil	
DigiCert Inc.	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Current Client	
Ernst & Young LLP Ernst & Young Product Sales LLC Ernst and Young US LLP	Ordinary Course Professionals	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Former Client	
Evercore Group LLC	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Faegre Drinker Biddle and Reath LLP	Ordinary Course Professionals	Related to Current Client	
Farmers Group Select Home & Auto Insurance	Benefit Providers (Workers Compensation/Pension Plans/Third Party Administrators)	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Ferro Investments Ltd.	Lenders	Related to Current Client	
Frontier Communications Frontier Communications America Inc.	Utility Providers/Utility Brokers List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
GreensLedge Capital Markets LLC Greensledge Merchant Holdings, LLC	Significant Vendors/Suppliers Lenders	Current Client and	
		Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Grubhub Holdings Inc.	List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
ICG CoreSci Holdings, LP	Lenders	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
INE	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Current Client	
Kaiser Permanente	Benefit Providers (Workers Compensation/Pension Plans/Third Party Administrators)	Related to Current Client	
Kayne Anderson BDC, LLC Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors, L.P. Kayne Anderson Energy Infrastructure Fund Inc. (KYN) Kayne Anderson NextGen Energy & Infrastructure Inc. (KMF)	Affiliation of Current Officers and Directors (include senior management)	Current Client and Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Kelly Services Inc.	List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims Related to Curre		

Matched Entity	Relationship to Debtors	Relationship to Weil	
Lexington Insurance Company (AIG) Lexington Insurance Company (via Amwins)	Insurance/Insurance Broker/ Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
LinkedIn Corporation	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Marathon Digital Holdings, Inc.	Significant Competitors	Current Client	
Mintz Group LLC	Ordinary Course Professionals	Current Client	
Moelis & Company, LLC	Non-Debtor Professionals	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
National Union Fire Ins Co of Pittsburgh (AIG)	Insurance/Insurance Broker/ Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Navigators Insurance Co (Hartford)	Insurance/Insurance Broker/ Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
Nomura Corporate Funding Americas, LLC	Significant Customers and Contract Counterparties	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
NYDIG	Lenders	Affiliate or Subsidiary	
NYDIG ABL LLC	UCC Search Results/UCC Lien	of Current Client	
NYDIG ABL LLC (f/k/a Arctos	Search Results		
Credit, LLC)	Notice of Appearance / Interested Party		
Arctos Credit, LLC	/ Interested Farty		
Och Ziff Capital Management, LP	Affiliation of Current Officers and	Current Client	
(n/k/a Sculptor Capital Management, Inc.)	Directors (include senior management)	and	
,	,	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
PJT Partners LP	Debtors Professionals	Current Client	
QBE Insurance Corporation	Insurance/Insurance Broker/	Related to Current Client	
General Casualty Co of WI (QBE)	Insurance Provider/Surety Bonds		
Securitas Security Services USA, Inc.	List of the Creditors Holding the Top 100 Largest Unsecured Claims	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
	List of the Top 30 Unsecured Creditors		
	Benefit Providers (Workers Compensation/Pension Plans/Third Party Administrators)		
Shell Energy Solutions	List of the Top 30 Unsecured Creditors	Related to Current Client	

Matched Entity	Relationship to Debtors	Relationship to Weil	
MP2 Energy Texas LLC d/b/a Shell	Utility Providers/Utility Brokers		
Energy Solutions	Notice of Appearance / Interested Party		
Stonebriar Commercial Finance LLC	Lender	Affiliate or Subsidiary	
Stonebriar Finance Holdings LLC	UCC Search Results/UCC Lien Search Results	of Current Client	
Time Warner	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Related to Current Client	
Time Warner Cable	Utility Providers/Utility Brokers		
TPG Pace Beneficial Finance Corporation I and II	Affiliation of Current Officers and Directors (include senior management)	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
U.S. Bank, National Association	Bondholders/Noteholders/Indenture Trustees	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
	Lenders		
	Notice of Appearance / Interested Party		
WEX Health Inc.	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Affiliate or Subsidiary of Current Client	
ZoomInfo Technologies	Significant Vendors/Suppliers	Current Client	

Exhibit B

DuChene Retention Declaration

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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In re:	§	Chapter 11
	§	
CORE SCIENTIFIC, INC., et al.,	§	Case No. 22-90341 (DRJ)
	§	
Debtors. ¹	§	(Jointly Administered)
	§	-

DECLARATION OF TODD DUCHENE IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP AS ATTORNEYS FOR DEBTORS EFFECTIVE AS OF PETITION DATE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Todd DuChene, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am the President and Chief Legal Officer of Core Scientific, Inc. ("Core Scientific," and, collectively with its debtor affiliates in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases, as debtors and debtors in possession, the "Debtors"). In my current role, I am responsible for, among other things, overseeing the Debtors' legal department and managing legal fees and expenses.
- 2. Commencing on December 21, 2022 (the "**Petition Date**"), the Debtors each filed with this Court a voluntary case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"). The Debtors continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: Core Scientific Mining LLC (6971); Core Scientific, Inc. (3837); Core Scientific Acquired Mining LLC (N/A); Core Scientific Operating Company (5526); Radar Relay, Inc. (0496); Core Scientific Specialty Mining (Oklahoma) LLC (4327); American Property Acquisition, LLC (0825); Starboard Capital LLC (6677); RADAR LLC (5106); American Property Acquisitions I, LLC (9717); and American Property Acquisitions, VII, LLC (3198). The Debtors' corporate headquarters and service address is 210 Barton Springs Road, Suite 300, Austin, Texas 78704.

- 3. I submit this Declaration in support of the Debtors' application (the "Application"), pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Rules 2014(a) and 2016(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Bankruptcy Local Rules"), for authority to employ and retain Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP ("Weil" or the "Firm"), as attorneys for the Debtors in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases effective as of the Petition Date.²
- 4. This Declaration is provided pursuant to Appendix B, Paragraph D.2 of the U.S. Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases, effective November 1, 2013 (the "Fee Guidelines"). Except as otherwise indicated herein, the facts set forth in this Declaration are based upon my personal knowledge, information provided to me by the Debtors' advisors, or my opinion based upon knowledge and experience as President and Chief Legal Officer of Core Scientific. I am authorized to submit this Declaration on behalf of the Debtors.
- 5. The Debtors recognize that a comprehensive review process is necessary when selecting and managing chapter 11 counsel to ensure that their bankruptcy professionals are subject to the same client-driven market forces, security, and accountability as professionals in non-bankruptcy engagements. The Debtors chose Weil based upon Weil's prior experience with the Debtors, its reputation and experience in the restructuring field generally, and upon the Debtors' particular circumstances. Since 2018, Weil has represented the Debtors with respect to

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² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

various matters, including certain transactional and litigation matters. Beginning in October 2022, Weil has represented the Debtors with respect to their ongoing litigation with Celsius in the Celsius chapter 11 cases. At around the same time, Weil began advising the Debtors in connection with their evaluation and execution of certain strategic initiatives to help preserve and maximize the Company's enterprise value. As a result of its prepetition engagement, Weil possesses an in-depth knowledge of the Debtors' capital structure and has gained additional insight into the current condition of the Debtors' industry, business, and operations. Specifically, Weil was extensively involved in (i) prepetition negotiations with the Debtors' key economic stakeholders (including the Debtors' restructuring efforts as discussed in greater detail in the First Day Declaration), (ii) analyzing strategic alternatives with respect to the Debtors' capital structure and restructuring, (iii) negotiating and executing the RSA with the Ad Hoc Noteholder Group, (iv) securing a \$75 million DIP Facility, and (v) the preparation and commencement of these chapter 11 cases. Accordingly, the Debtors believe Weil is uniquely situated with the necessary background to address the potential legal issues that may arise in the context of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases.

6. As the President and Chief Legal Officer at Core Scientific, I am familiar with the terms of Weil's engagement. Weil has confirmed to me that the Firm does not vary its billing rates or the material terms of an engagement depending on whether such engagement is a bankruptcy or a non-bankruptcy engagement. Weil has advised me that its current customary U.S. hourly rates are \$1,375.00 to \$2,095.00 for partners and counsel, \$750.00 to \$1,345.00 for associates, and \$295.00 to \$530.00 for paraprofessionals. It is my understanding that Weil reviews and adjusts its billing rates annually. Weil has advised me that it will inform the Debtors of any adjustment to its existing rate structure.

- 7. I am informed by Weil that its attorneys' billing rates are aligned each year to ensure that its rates are comparable to the billing rates of its peer firms. To the extent that there is any disparity in such rates, however, I nevertheless believe that Weil's retention by the Debtors is warranted in these cases for the reasons set forth in the Application.
- 8. I understand that Weil's fees and expenses will be subject to periodic review during the pendency of these chapter 11 cases by, among other parties, the Office of the U.S. Trustee and the Debtors, in accordance with the terms of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, and any orders of the Court governing the procedures for approval of interim compensation of professionals retained in chapter 11 cases.
- 9. As the President and Chief Legal Officer of Core Scientific, I supervise and manage legal fees and expenses incurred by the Debtors' outside counsel. Either I or the Debtors' other in-house counsel reviews the Debtors' outside counsel invoices and authorizes all legal fees and expenses prior to the payment of such fees to outside counsel. In so doing, we assure that all requested fees and expenses are reasonable and correspond with necessary or beneficial services rendered on behalf of the Debtors and their estates. The aforementioned review and approval process does not differ when the Debtors employ outside counsel for non-bankruptcy matters. Moreover, Weil has informed me that the Debtors will be provided with the opportunity to review all invoices and request adjustments to such invoices to the extent that the Debtors determine that such adjustments are necessary and appropriate, which requests will be carefully considered by Weil.
- 10. I will continue to review the invoices that the Debtors submit and, together with Weil, amend such invoices as necessary.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: January 15, 2023

Austin, Texas

/s/ Todd DuChene Todd DuChene By:

President and Chief Legal Officer Core Scientific, Inc.